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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 25, 1994

Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. PRESSLER) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Nat-
ural Resources

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Reported by Mr. JOHNSTON, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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Fourche Irrigation Project, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4 Section 7 of the Act entitled “An Act to authorize
5 rehabilitation of the Belle Fourche irrigation project, and

1 for other purposes”, approved November 7, 1983 (97 Stat.
2 990), is amended—

3 (1) by striking “SEC. 7. There” and inserting
4 “SEC. 7. (a) There”; and

5 (2) by inserting after subsection (a), the follow-
6 ing new subsection:

7 “(b) There is authorized to be appropriated beginning
8 October 1, 1994, for the rehabilitation and betterment of
9 the irrigation facilities of the Belle Fourche unit and
10 recreation and fish and wildlife measures as authorized by
11 this Act, \$24,750,000 (based on January 1981 prices),
12 plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified
13 by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction cost in-
14 dexes applicable to the types of construction involved here-
15 in.”

16 **SECTION 1. EXPANSION OF BELLE FOURCHE IRRIGATION**
17 **PROJECT.**

18 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES.—*
19 *The Act entitled “An Act to authorize rehabilitation of the*
20 *Belle Fourche irrigation project, and for other purposes.”*
21 *(Public Law 98–157, 97 Stat. 989) is amended in the first*
22 *section—*

23 (1) *by striking “That the general” and inserting*
24 *in lieu thereof, so as to appear immediately after and*
25 *below the enacting clause, the following:*

1 *“SECTION 1. (a) The general plan for”; and*

2 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

3 *“(b)(1) In addition to the activities authorized under*
4 *subsection (a), the general plan for the Belle Fourche project*
5 *is modified to include the following:*

6 *“(A) Rehabilitation of the following major water*
7 *control structures:*

8 *“(i) The Whitewood Siphon*

9 *“(ii) 2 Belle Fourche dam outlets.*

10 *“(B) Lining at South Canal and rehabilitation*
11 *of Johnson Lateral for water conservation.*

12 *“(C) Replacement or rehabilitation of deterio-*
13 *rated canal bridges.*

14 *“(D) Provision of minor lateral rehabilitation*
15 *and contract support work by the Belle Fourche irri-*
16 *gation district.*

17 *“(E) Conduct of a detailed study of project-wide*
18 *water use management and implementation of im-*
19 *proved management practices for the purpose of*
20 *achieving optimal conservation of water supplies.*

21 *“(2) The Federal share of the cost of activities under*
22 *this subsection may not exceed \$10,500,000. The State share*
23 *of those costs shall be at least \$4,000,000, and shall be paid*
24 *concurrently with Federal expenditures for activities under*
25 *this subsection.”.*

1 (b) *EXTENSION OF REPAYMENT PERIOD.*—Section 2(b)
2 of that Act is amended by striking “the year in which such
3 amendatory repayment contract is executed” and inserting
4 “July 1, 1995”.

5 (c) *APPLICABLE RATES OF CHARGE AND ASSESSABLE*
6 *ACREAGE.*—Section 2(c) of that Act is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 “(c)(1) Before July 1, 1995, the rates of charge to land
9 class in the unit shall continue to be as established in the
10 November 29, 1949, repayment contract with the district,
11 as subsequently amended and supplemented. On and after
12 July 1, 1995, such rates of charge and assessable acreage
13 shall, subject to subsection (d), be in accordance with the
14 amortization capacity and classification of unit lands as
15 then determined by the Secretary.

16 “(2) After final completion of the rehabilitation and
17 betterment program authorized by this Act, and at intervals
18 agreed to by the Secretary and the Belle Fourche irrigation
19 district, the rates of charge and assessable acreage may be
20 amended as determined necessary by the Secretary.”.

21 (d) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION.*—Section 7
22 of that Act is amended—

23 (1) by inserting “(a)” after “SEC. 7.”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(b) In addition to amounts authorized under sub-
2 section (a), for activities under section 1(b) there are au-
3 thorized to be appropriated \$10,500,000, plus or minus such
4 amounts (if any) as may be justified by reason of ordinary
5 fluctuations in construction cost indices applicable to types
6 of construction conducted under that section.”.

7 (e) AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT.—The Secretary of the
8 Interior and the Belle Fourche irrigation district shall
9 amend the contract numbered 5-07-60-WR170 to reflect
10 the amendments made by this section.